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To the regents of the University of the State of New York

I have the honor to report as follows for the year ending Sep. 30, 1899.

The number of registered clubs has now increased to 331, including 73 clubs added during the year. The subjects of study cover a wide field, but within each club the work is generally more restricted than in any previous year of our work. The publication of outlines of study in our reports has directly influenced the character of the work done by registered clubs. Not only are the outlines practically useful in suggesting topics but frequently clubs are encouraged to attempt consecutive study of a restricted subject after seeing the course followed by some other club.

As home study becomes a recognized method of modern culture, the aids for such work increase. 10 years ago it would have been difficult, if not impossible, to get a guide for reading and study on a particular subject without paying a large sum to have one specially prepared. Now not only is the number of such outlines and syllabuses legion and constantly increasing,

but many of them are excellently adapted to the needs both of clubs and of isolated students. In addition to these guides, lists of books are constantly being issued on various topics. Many large public libraries publish weekly or monthly bulletins containing selected lists and often supplementary guides for reading. Lists of slides and photographs are not yet so easy to obtain but this want is beginning to be so strongly felt that it will undoubtedly be met in the near future.

The permanent position of home study in the education of the individual is shown in an article by Miss L. Graham Crozier of Knoxville (Tenn.) on Women's clubs and education, in the *Educational review* for February 1899. Miss Crozier says:

Now that it is admitted that the condition of a progressive civilization is a system of education that is both scientific and general, is it not easily recognizable that the years devoted to the formal education must be prefaced and supplemented by systems quite as thorough and just as clearly defined as those that prevail during the school life of the individual? Of these supplementary systems the first must be initiated in the home, while the second can be carried forward only through the stimulus afforded by an intelligent and cooperative social spirit. The act of living is in itself the most important natural educational process with which the human body has to do, and since the life process is one continuous whole, certainly the forces directing this process must form one interrupted series—the breaks marking but the passage of one state into another.

That the ultimate success of all forms of constitutional government rests with the development of a citizenship that will represent a high average of thought and culture has become a platitude. The acquisition of knowledge may rest with the few and the responsibility for the technical training undoubtedly lies with the universities; but the diffusion of knowledge is not possible except through the goodwill and hearty cooperation of the body of the people. It is not enough that we put men of ability in charge of well equipped educational departments. The success of the system of universal education, on the establishment of which the wellbeing of our republic rests, does not depend on professor or teacher, but on the public, and until the general public, that is the body of the people, becomes informed of the purpose and plan of the system of public instruction it is not possible that the work be either rapid or thorough. The kindergarten, the primary, secondary, and high school, the normal and

university training must stand as one organic whole and must be recognized as such by those whom it is designed to serve, and furthermore, the years of the primal school life and the after life of the politico-social individual must be recognized as simply divisions of one continuous process.

This continuous education "through life" is the special mission of the study club, designed as it is to encourage and stimulate thought and study initiated by individual craving for mental activity. Educators frequently assert that the pupil's mind is naturally lazy. If this is true during school days, it must surely be expected when study is no longer the first business of life. For this reason, aids to more efficient study club work must be recognized as one of the most necessary and far reaching instruments for continuous mental development of individuals.

A position of importance educationally can of course be given only to clubs whose purpose is actual study. That not all clubs calling and believing themselves to be study clubs are organized for this purpose is evident to even the casual observer. It must be conceded however that very few clubs fail to fulfil some important function in individual education and culture and it is seldom that the distinctively study feature is not emphasized and developed as time passes. This progress and the permanent value of study clubs are pointed out in an article in the *Outlook* of June 25, 1898. The subject of the article is women's clubs but as the statements apply equally to all study clubs an extract is here reprinted:

It was a social philosopher who said—and he laid it to the cynic—that clubs and classes are for the accumulation of superficial information and for unloading it on others, without much individual absorption by anybody. The time is passing, it may be already passed, of which the cynic's remark is true. Classes of women are no longer coming together for the sake of the "superficial information" some one is going to "unload" upon them; instead they come together desiring the only thing of benefit that it is possible or desirable to give, an inspiration from contact with other minds, which shall be a stimulus to further individual effort. Perhaps it was inevitable that women should at first miss the true meaning of what they had created, and so in

their chase after facts, statistics, and arguments, quite overlook the modest opportunity in the event. It always seems necessary to go through the primary work of acquisition before an individual comes to the higher work of inspiration. The club is finding its own sphere, is relating itself gradually to other institutions, and will finally settle itself into its own niche of human progress. Looking back from that vantage ground, it will be easy to see what the meaning of this present enormous activity really has been. It will not then be surprising to find that all the work upon which so much stress is laid has little part in that final round-up. University extension lectures, humble papers by the literary members, kindergartens maintained, tired mothers relieved, works of art diffused, municipal intervention, and the hundred and one things that meant the club, have all been lost by the way, while the permanent, epoch-making work is not any tangible result, but a development and betterment of character.

As the importance of the study club becomes more generally recognized, conferences on methods of work are more carefully arranged. The topics discussed at a special meeting called during the past year by the ladies literary club of Grand Rapids (Mich.) is given here as containing valuable hints for similar discussions in New York clubs.

Conference on club methods

Organization

- Shall membership be limited
- Duties, advantages and disadvantages of membership committees
- Best method of electing officers
- Power of the department club

Auxiliaries

- For our sons and daughters
- Evening divisions for business women

Work

- Value and how to promote extemporaneous speaking
- How can clubs conduct successful lecture courses?

What womens clubs can do for

- Our public schools
- The promotion of art
- Municipal affairs
- The busy girls of our city
- Our sisters in the country

Social life

- How is it best cultivated?

The science of study club work is not yet clearly defined and probably will never be reducible to a set of hard and fast principles. It must win its adherents from a constituency already overburdened with other interests and must combine with technically correct methods, persuasive power and tactful assistance to the slow and labored efforts of minds untrained or grown sluggish from lack of continued disciplinary study. Observation of plans found successful in other organizations is a good method of improving club work. To provide means for such comparative study of registered clubs, a summarized report is given of those whose work during the past year has been reported.

Respectfully submitted

MELVIL DEWEY *Director*

APPENDIX

REGISTERED STUDY CLUBS

Albany, Amici in littera club. Organized 1897. Membership 16 women. 10 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Spanish history. JANET T. WELSH, *secretary*

Albany, Art for travelers club. Organized 1898. Membership 12 women. 16 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subjects: History of architecture, sculpture and painting. MRS D. O. MEARS, *secretary*

Albany, Council of Jewish women, Albany section. Organized 1895. Membership 74 women. 12 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subjects: Jewish history and the Bible. Two public lectures were given, the subjects of which were Hebrew contribution to civilization and the Three mothers congresses. TEREZA W. BENDELL, *secretary*

Albany, Missionary study club. Organized 1897. Membership 16 women. Meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Missions. MARY F. BURT, *secretary*

Albany, Pine Hills fortnightly club. Organized 1898. Membership 11 women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: United States history through the revolution. MRS H. C. MERRIMAN, *secretary*

²⁰ **Albion, Historical club.** Organized 1873. Membership 60 men and women. 19 biweekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Persia. ANNA E. SEARS, *secretary*

Albion, Historical conversation club. Organized 1878. Membership 47 men and women. 20 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subjects: History of literature and current topics, to each of which one half of every meeting is devoted. MRS W. G. SWAN, *secretary*

Alexandria Bay, University extension club. Organized 1897. Membership 41 men and women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: American history, American literature and current events. A special program was arranged for one meeting to which nonmembers were invited. LILLIAN J. HOUGHTON, *secretary*

Angelica, Progress club. Organized 1894. Membership 22 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Italy. SOPHIA L. ATWATER, *secretary*

Antwerp, Fortnightly club. Organized 1896. Membership 21 women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: United States history. MARION HINSDALE, *secretary*

Attica, Authors club. Organized 1893. Membership 42 men and women. 27 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Authors of the 19th century, to each of whom an average of two meetings was devoted. The program was varied with quotations, debates, discussion of current events and music. MARTHA D. HUBER, *secretary*

Attica, Monday club. Organized 1896. Membership 45 men and women. 19 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subjects: *Romeo and Juliet*, *Richard 3*, Browning, Tennyson and Kipling. In the readings of plays characters were assigned to club members and readings and papers were followed by discussions. Every fifth meeting was in charge of the entertainment committee which prepared a program of light literature. Mrs C. D. WING, *secretary*

Auburn, Art research club. Organized 1898. As several meetings were devoted to organization regular work did not begin till January 1899. Meetings biweekly Oct. to Ap. Subject: French art of the 19th century. Papers and discussions of individual artists were preceded by general papers on the schools of painting to which they belong. R. P. MEAKER, *secretary*

Auburn, Fortnightly club. Organized 1883. Membership 35 women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Scotland. SUSAN ALLEN, *secretary*

Aurora, Thursday club. Organized 1895. Membership 30 women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: France. MARY MORRELL, *secretary*

Baldwinsville, History club. Organized 1896. Membership 10 women. 45 weekly meetings. Subject: Spain. MARY M. HAMILL, *secretary*

Baldwinsville, University extension club. Organized 1896. Membership 50 women. 12 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Holland. EVA BURDICK, *secretary*

Bath, Art club. Organized 1898. Membership 15 women. 24 weekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: History of Italian art through the 16th century. Photographs and prints were used to illustrate the subject. KATHERINE RUTHERFORD, *secretary*

Bath on Hudson, Shakspearean society. Organized 1895. Membership 15 women. 13 biweekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: Ancient and modern Italy. Special topics: Roman kingdom, Roman republic, Roman empire, medieval Italy, Florence, Venice, Milan, Naples, Rome, and modern Italy. The club from its own resources has illustrated most of the subjects of study. FRANCES B. MERRIFIELD, *secretary*

Belfast, Hawthorne club. Organized 1895. Membership 23 women. 37 weekly meetings Sep. to June. Subjects: Greek history and literature. MRS J. H. CHAMBERLAIN, *secretary*

Belmont, Literary and historical society. Organized 1885. Membership 50 women. 38 weekly meetings Oct. to July. Subjects: Economics and home science. H. N. MATTONI, *secretary*

Belmont, Tourist club. Organized 1895. Membership 20 women. 20 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Victorian era. MRS C. W. CURTIS, *secretary*

Binghamton, Civic club. Organized 1898. 13 biweekly meetings. Subjects: Social science and political economy. FRANCES C. DOUBLEDAY, *secretary*

Binghamton, Every Saturday night club. Organized 1895. Membership 12 women. 31 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: French history. SUSAN G. INLOES, *secretary*

Binghamton, High school literary club. Organized 1893. Membership 41. 35 weekly meetings Sep. to June. Subjects: Stevenson, Barrie and Maclaren. MABELLE E. CARY, *secretary*

Binghamton, Ladies literary society of the First congregational church. Organized 1897. Membership 45. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: English history. MRS JOHN MANIER, *secretary*

Binghamton, Priscilla club. Organized 1896. Membership 8 women. Weekly meetings. Subject: General history. SARAH M. WILLIAMS, *secretary*

Blauvelt, Reading circle. Organized 1893. Membership 18 men and women. 18 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. MRS D. F. MOODY, *secretary*

Bolivar, Sorosis. Organized 1895. Membership 25 women. 49 weekly meetings. Subjects: French history and general literature. MRS JENNIE NICHOLS, *secretary*

Brasher Falls, Literary club. Organized 1898. Membership 23 men and women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: American history and literature. W. W. WALLING, *secretary*

Brentwood, Travelers club. Organized 1896. Membership 20 men and women. 16 biweekly meetings beginning Oct. Subject: English history. HENRY H. HALL, *secretary*

Bronxville, Nondescript club. Organized 1896. Membership 15 women. 12 biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Sociology. MISS BACON, *secretary*

Brooklyn art guild. Membership 53 men and women. Weekly meetings Oct. to May. The sketch class only has met during the past year, with exception of regular business meetings of the guild. EDRTH SAWYER, *secretary*

Buffalo, Council of Jewish women, Buffalo section, circle no. 3. Organized 1896. Membership 41. 11 biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Bible. RAY R. MARKS, *secretary*

Buffalo, Gradgrind club. Organized 1895. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Italy. ANNA CARTER, *secretary*

Buffalo, Graduates association of the Buffalo seminary. Organized 1876. Membership 212 women. 20 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: 60 years of recent history. JOSEPHINE WILHELM, *secretary*

Buffalo, Highland Park literary club. Organized 1892. Membership 40 women. 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: English history and literature from 1714 to the present time. ELLA A. HOLMES, *secretary*

Buffalo, Literary club of the Church of the Messiah. Organized 1880. Membership 150 women. 21 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: The Balkan states. Papers are followed by an hour's discussion. STELLA M. CLARK, *secretary*

Buffalo, Monday class. Membership 29 women. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Art, history and literature of modern Italy. MRS EUGENE CHAMBERLAIN, *secretary*

Buffalo, Saturday class. Organized 1876. Membership 25 women. 25 weekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Growth of democracy in the 19th century. For program see p. 719. MRS JULIA A. NICHOLS, *secretary*

Buffalo, Teachers association of the Church of Our Father. Organized 1898. Membership 18 men and women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Old testament. Lectures by the president are followed by discussion and reports from the members on topics previously assigned. The work aims chiefly to aid the Sundayschool teachers by indicating problems involved, by instructing in methods of study and in use of materials and by reviewing higher criticism. FLORENCE R. HILL, *secretary*

Buffalo, Training class of Buffalo free kindergarten association. Organized 1891. Membership 20 women. Meets four times a week Sep. to June. Subjects: Kindergarten gifts, education, psychology, methods and principles, Homer's *Odyssey*, symbolic education, drawing and modeling, botany, songs, games and mother play. ELLA C. ELDER, *secretary*

Buffalo, Tuesday club. Organized 1894. Membership 7 women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Browning's poems. FLORENCE R. HILL, *secretary*

Buffalo, Woman's investigating club. Membership 104. 24 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: A winter in Florence. Mrs A. C. WERTIMER, *corresponding secretary*

Caledonia, Fortnightly club. Organized 1887. Membership 56 men and women. 14 biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subjects: Spanish history, Porto Rico, the Philippines, Mexico, Cuba, Hawaii, Spanish war and universal peace. MARGARET A. CAMPBELL, *secretary*

Camden historical club. Organized 1884. Membership 18 women. 23 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subjects: American history, American literature and cathedrals of England. Mrs E. C. CASE, *secretary*

Canajoharie, Colonial club. Organized 1898. Membership 35 women. Biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: History of colonies. MABEL W. SMITH, *secretary*

Canajoharie, Monday evening club. Organized 1893. Membership 30 women. 24 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: History and literature of England and current events. EMMA VOSBURGH, *secretary*

Canajoharie, Travelers club. Organized 1897. Membership 35 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Italy. Mrs W. J. COYE, *secretary*

Canaseraga, Essential club. Organized 1897. Membership 26 women. 32 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Shakspeare. Mrs W. J. GARWOOD, *secretary*

Canastota, Fortnightly club. Membership 40 men and women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subjects: *Othello*, *Romco and Juliet*, *King Lear* and the *Tempest*. JESSIE A. GROAT, *secretary*

Carthage, Shakespeare club. Organized 1891. Membership 12 women. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: *As you like it*, *King Henry 6*, *Two gentlemen of Verona* and *Coriolanus*. Mrs GEORGE SPICER, *secretary*

Castile, Wednesday club. Organized 1895. Membership 20 women. Weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Greece, her colonies, history, literature, art and philosophy. MRS MARY TABOR, *secretary*

Catskill, Monday club. Organized 1894. Membership 20 women. 20 weekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: England from James 1 to Victoria. MRS ADELAIDE E. HARRIS, *secretary*

Cayuga, Monday reading circle. Organized 1897. Membership 24 men and women. 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subjects: the *Tempest*, *Julius Caesar* and *Hamlet*. E. L. JONES, *president*

Charlton reading circle. Organized 1882. Membership 12 men and women. 24 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Constitutional history of the United States through the civil war. MARY E. CALLAGHAN, *secretary*

Chatham literary society. Organized 1878. Membership 61 men and women. 19 biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: Shakspere's historical plays, *King John*, *Richard 2* and *Henry 4*. The work has been under direction of Mrs H. A. Davidson of Albany, who prepared a syllabus of questions for each play, one section of which was used at each meeting. These syllabuses are distributed several weeks prior to the study of the subject and are used by the members as a basis of study. The work of the last two years under Mrs Davidson's direction has been found to be much more profitable than any undertaken in other ways. The system of papers has been abandoned and all members are free to study and read for themselves and to participate in all discussions at the meetings. MRS S. McK. SMITH, *secretary*

Claverack, University association. Organized 1897. Club re-organized for 1898-99 and held eight meetings but as little interest was shown the work was given up. A. F. HERMANCIE, *secretary*

Constantia literary club. Organized 1898. Membership 16 men and women. Weekly meetings Oct. to July. Subject: English literature of the 19th century. JOSEPHINE BRYAN, *secretary*

Copenhagen literary circle. Organized 1884. Membership 34 men and women. 18 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Russia. MRS ALICE GREENE, *correspondent*

Corning, Clionian circle. Organized 1881. Membership 25 women. 33 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: American history and literature. JEANNIE BRANCH, *secretary*

Cornwall on the Hudson, Ingleside club. Organized 1897. Membership 23 women. Weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: English poetry. MARGARET A. REVELEY, *secretary*

Cuba, Shakespeare amateurs. Organized 1889. Membership 18 women. 40 weekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Shakspeare. FLORENCE ARNOLD, *secretary*

Cuba, Shakespeare club. Organized 1887. Membership 20 women. 24 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: Eastern nations. EUGENIA EATON, *secretary*

Delhi, Tourists club. Organized 1896. Membership 16 women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subjects: Russia and Greece. CARRIE L. SILAW, *secretary*

Dunkirk, Cardinal Newman reading circle. Organized 1892. Membership 16 men and women. 18 biweekly meetings from Sep. to June. Subject: English literature. ANNA L. HESSON, *secretary*

Dunkirk, Women's literary club. Organized 1885. 59 members. 27 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subjects: Italian history and literature. Special topics: Venice, Venetian colorists, Milan, Naples and Italian drama. MRS ADELINE K. BLOOD, *secretary*

East Aurora, Woman's club. Organized 1894. Membership 40. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: History, art, literature and science of England. MRS CARRIE A. PECK, *secretary*

East Fishkill, Fortnightly club. Organized 1897. Membership 19 women. Biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: Italy. NETTIE VAN WYCK, *secretary*

Ellington literary club. Membership 13 women. 16 biweekly meetings Sep. to Ap. Subject: English history. MRS OPHELIA DE VOE, *secretary*

Elmira, Current topic Chautauquans. Organized 1896. Membership 18 women. 32 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subjects: English history, Europe in the 19th century and men and manners of the 18th century. MARY G. BROWN, *secretary*

Elmira, Home lights club. Organized 1889. Membership 30 women. 12 monthly meetings. Subject: Home missions. MRS CARLETON WILBOR, *secretary*

Elmira, Wednesday morning club. Organized 1891. Membership 51 women. 29 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: Education and history. MARY H. GOLDSMITH, *secretary*

Fairport, Ladies historical club. 28 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: German history and literature.

Fayetteville, Coterie. Organized 1885. Membership 31 women. 21 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: France. MIRIAM COLLIN, *secretary*

Fayetteville, Philomath. Organized 1885. Membership 30 women. 21 biweekly meetings Sep. to July. Subject: Greece. MRS H. M. RICE, *secretary*

Fillmore, Wide awake club. Organized 1895. Membership 20 women. 22 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: American literature. MARY ROTCHFORD, *secretary*

Flushing, Good citizenship league. 13 meetings Oct. to May. Subjects: Education and Italian literature.

Fort Edward, Fortnightly club. Organized 1893. 13 biweekly meetings. Subjects: American history from the revolution and Shakspeare. MRS GEORGE F. UNDERWOOD, *secretary*

Fort Plain, Saturday afternoon study class. Organized 1897. Membership 40 women. 27 weekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: Great Britain. JESSIE R. TANNER, *secretary*

Franklinville, Olla podrida literary society. Organized 1897. Membership 12 women. 24 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: France. MRS G. N. G. FERRIS, *secretary*

Fredonia, Shakespeare club. Organized 1885. Membership 19 women. 23 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subjects: Victorian age and the poetic renaissance. MRS C. L. WEBSTER, *secretary*

Fredonia, Society for the study of art. Organized 1884. Membership 44 women. The club is divided into three sections, each meeting monthly Sep. to June. Subjects: Italian architecture. Dutch and German painting and Italian painting. Two special meetings were illustrated by lantern slides of English and American pictures. The outline of the work is based on Farrar's *Art topics*. EDITH N. CURTIS, *secretary*

Fulton reading circle. Organized 1876. Membership 25 women. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: American literature. MRS ABRAM EMERICK, *secretary*

Geneva, Art circle. Organized 1893. Membership 18 women. 35 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: French art. KATHARINE I. McCAN, *secretary*

Glens Falls, Tuesday club. Organized 1896. Membership 22 women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: French painting. Interest has been increased by loan of photographs. GERTRUDE GOULDING, *secretary*

Gloversville, Clio circle. Organized 1895. Membership 16 women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: American history from 1789 to 1829. MARGARET PHELPS, *secretary*

Gloversville, Monday afternoon study class. Membership 24 women. Weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Assyria and ancient Greece. MRS AGNES E. STEELE, *secretary*

Greendale, Tuesday afternoon study class. Organized 1898. Membership 15 women. 25 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Holland. LOUISE ALLEN, *secretary*

Greenwich, Daughters of the American revolution, Willard's Mountain chapter. 21 members. Monthly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Beginning of the American revolution. MRS J. S. STEWART, *secretary*

Groton, Columbian club. Organized 1892. Membership 20 women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subjects: Spain and Italy. MRS E. E. BARNEY, *secretary*

Groton, Historical club. Organized 1899. 20 biweekly meetings. Subjects: Discovery of America, lands and people discovered and the discoverers. MABEL N. MCNIEL, *secretary*

Hamilton, Fortnightly club. Organized 1894. Membership 32 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Elizabethan and puritan England. MRS C. N. SPENCER, *secretary*

Haverstraw, Clio club. Organized 1898. Membership 22 women. Biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Norway, Sweden and Denmark. GEORGETTA SMITH, *secretary*

Haverstraw, Nineteenth century club. Organized 1894. Membership 16 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Holland. E. B. GURNEE, *secretary*

Herkimer, Progressive club. Organized 1895. Membership 35 women. 18 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Roman history. ELIZABETH B. MAY, *secretary*

Honeoye Falls, Fortnightly club. Membership 34 women. Biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: Spain. MISS FISH, *secretary*

Hornellsville, Macaulay club. Organized 1889. Membership 10 women. 16 biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subjects: *King Lear*, *As you like it*, *Hamlet* and *Julius Cæsar*. The text of the plays was the basis of the year's work, the aim of which was to make an intensive study of Shakspeare through the plays mentioned. To this end the club has studied the life of Shakspeare, the periods in which the plays were written, the historical events on which they are based and the sources of the plots. Part of a play was read at each meeting and at a subsequent meeting questions on the text were asked and their answers discussed. In the study of *King Lear* the following papers were read: Shakspeare, his mind and art, History of the play and source of the plot, Shakspeare's contemporaries (Bacon, Jonson and Spenser) and Cordelia. JESSIE D. SHARP, *secretary*

Hornellsville, Saturday club. Organized 1886. Membership 10 women. 10 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: History and literature. SUSAN G. ADSIT, *secretary*

Hudson, Daughters of the American revolution, Hendrick Hudson chapter. Membership 53 women. 14 meetings July to May. Subject: History. HARRIETTE A. FOLGER, *secretary*

Ilion, Historical club. Organized 1893. Membership 44 women. 22 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: American history through the revolution. KATHERINE JOERISSEN, *secretary*

Ilion, Monday music club. Organized 1898. Membership 21 women. Meets every three weeks Oct. to Ap. Subject: History of music. Special topics: Origin of music, rise of polyphony, musical instruments, church music from Palestrina to Bach and Handel, Handel, Bach, Handel and Bach compared. MRS CARL BURCH, *secretary*

Ilion, Travelers club. Organized 1891. Membership 52 women. 22 biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: England's growth from the Saxons to the Stuarts. Special topics: The Saxons, the Normans, the Plantagenets, golden age of English literature and Shakspeare. MRS J. A. WHITFIELD, *secretary*

Islip, Winter night club. Organized 1898. Membership 15 men and women. 13 biweekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subjects: Spanish history and literature. H. C. HAFF, *secretary*

Ithaca, Woman's club. Organized 1894. Membership 58. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Scandinavian history and woman's suffrage. MRS M. H. DAVIS, *secretary*

Jamestown, Fortnightly club. Organized 1894. Membership 65 women. 11 biweekly meetings Nov. to Mar. Subject: Scotland, its history and romance. MERTIE M. BROADHEAD, *secretary*

Jamestown, New century art club. Organized 1897. Membership 30. 13 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: English art and architecture. A lecture on art was given before the club by F. Hopkinson Smith. EVA M. GRIER, *secretary*

Johnstown, Fortnightly study club. Organized 1896. Membership 17 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subjects: *King John*, *As you like it* and *Macbeth*. MRS E. A. WELLS JR, *secretary*

Johnstown, Heli study club. Organized 1890. Membership 24 women. 17 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Products, discoverers and noted people of America. MRS A. B. WASSUNG, *secretary*

Johnstown, Round table. Organized 1894. Membership 18 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Roman history to death of Julius Caesar. MARGARET STEWART, *secretary*

Jordan, Nineteenth century club. Organized 1894. Membership 27 women. 25 weekly meetings Sep. to Ap. Subject: History. MABEL L. PERRY, *secretary*

Keuka college, Interlaken literary club. Organized 1897. Membership 16 men and women. 14 biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: French history. MRS DORA WORDEN, *secretary*

Kinderhook, Monday afternoon club. Organized 1896. Membership 11 women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: English authors. In general one meeting is devoted to each author. A. H. WILCOXSON, *secretary*

Kingston, Monday club. Organized 1895. Membership 25 women. 29 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Literature of the 19th century. MRS G. D. B. HASBROUCK, *secretary*

Leroy, History of art club. Organized 1896. Membership 48 women. 21 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: Grecian art, history and literature. The work has covered the period from 1000 B. C. to the present time and has been presented through oral topics, discussions and special papers. Illustrations consisting of maps, engravings and photographs have been profitably used. JEANNETTE E. BARROWS, *secretary*

Leroy, Woman's club. Organized 1896. Membership 101 women. 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: English history, literature and art, and household economics. The last sub-

ject was studied at every fourth meeting under the topics, physical aspects of the home, intellectual conditions of the home, moral influences of the home, and economy. ALIDA M. RANDALL, *secretary*

Liverpool, Historical society. Organized 1894. Membership 20 women. 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subjects: French history, literature and art. HATTIE MELOLING, *secretary*

Livonia, Ladies literary club. Organized 1892. Membership 37. 20 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Present day American literature. About four recent books were reviewed at each meeting. Three meetings were partly social in character and the club held two open meetings. MRS F. M. DAVIS, *secretary*

Lockport, Saturday club. 12 biweekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Our country. HARRIET E. BUCK, *secretary*

Mamaroneck, Art club. Organized 1898. Membership five women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Italian and Spanish art. ANNIE K. MOORE, *secretary*

Manlius, Monday evening club. Organized 1895. Membership 16 women. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: United States. JESSIE H. HERMANS, *secretary*

Marcy, Grange study club. Organized 1899. Membership 65 men and women. Biweekly meetings. Subject: United States history. G. R. WRIGHT, *secretary*

Massena, Ladies literary club. Organized 1894. Membership 34. 13 biweekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: History of France from Louis 14 to banishment of Napoleon. HELEN M. ANDREWS, *secretary*

Middletown, Art club. Organized 1892. Membership 10 women. 25 biweekly meetings. Subject: American art and history. Besides the regular work the club has had three lectures on Italian art. MRS D. W. WEBSTER, *secretary*

Middletown, Historical club. Organized 1896. Membership 8 women. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Roman history. MRS F. E. WISNER, *secretary*

Middletown, Monday art club. Organized 1891. Membership 20 women. 14 biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Italian cathedrals and art. For program see p. 715. NELLIE C. PURDY, *secretary*

Middletown, The tourists. Organized 1889. Membership 12 women. 17 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subjects: Turkey and the Holy Land. ELIZABETH ELMER, *secretary*

Middletown, Travelers club. Organized 1889. Membership 10 women. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Greece. At the close of the year the club unites with other clubs in the town in an annual meeting at which each club presents a paper. This year Prof. W. C. Lawton of Brooklyn lectured on Kipling. FRANCES M. BOAK, *secretary*

Middleville, Literary union. Organized 1898. Membership 29 men and women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subjects: American literature, minor poets, American orators and musicians. J. S. ELSALL, *secretary*

Mohawk study club. Organized 1898. Membership 30 women. 11 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: American literature. MRS D. D. SPENCER, *secretary*

Moravia, Philomath. Organized 1886. Membership 23 women. 28 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. SARA R. CHANDLER, *secretary*

Moravia, Round table. Organized 1896. Membership 11 women. 15 biweekly meetings Sep. to Ap. Subject: American history. ELLA A. PHELPS, *secretary*

Mt Morris, Literary and musical society. Organized 1899. Meetings biweekly. Subject: American colonial history and travel. REV. L. STILES, *secretary*

Mt Morris, Monday club. Organized 1896. Membership 30 women. 27 weekly meetings from Oct. to May. Subject: Holland. MARTHA J. GALBRAITH, *secretary*

Mt Vernon, Westchester woman's club. Organized 1894. Membership 112. 20 biweekly meetings Oct. to Sep. MRS C. H. STECKER, *secretary*

Nassau, Philomathean society. Organized 1896. Membership 40 men and women. 12 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Our government. Mrs F. C. SHELTON, *secretary*

New York, Alcala club. Organized 1898. Membership 10 women. 12 biweekly meetings Nov. to June. Subject: Spain. SARAH E. WRIGHT, *secretary*

New York, Mary Arden club. Organized 1895. Membership 18 women. 12 biweekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Shakspeare. Mrs H. M. NESMITH, *secretary*

New York, Neighborhood civic club. Organized 1893. Membership 35 young men. The club is under direction of a resident of the Rivington street settlement. Weekly meetings throughout the year but no study from June to Sep. Subjects: Civil government, municipal administration and biographies of eminent Americans. There has been given a course of six illustrated lectures on the city departments of New York, a course of six talks on the biographies of noted Americans, and lectures on education and English composition. After each of these lectures the members of the club took part in a general discussion. BENJAMIN REICH, *secretary*

New York, Seton circle. Organized 1895. Membership 97 women. Meets three times a month Oct. to May. Subjects: History of catholic missions to the Indians, and English novelists. A course of six lectures by Henry Austin Adams on the English novelists, and four lectures on other subjects were given. S. ROEMER, *secretary*

New York, Society for study of child nature, chapter 1. Organized 1896. Membership 21 women. 21 weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Child-study. Among the works which were read and discussed are Rousseau's *Émile*, Locke's *Education*, Prof. Adler's lectures on punishment and his *Moral instruction of children*. The study is supplemented by occasional lectures and by frequent talks by the president. Mrs E. L. MEIERHOFF, *secretary*

Newark, Twentieth century club. Organized 1898. Membership 17 men. 35 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Social economy based on Ely's *Outlines of economics*. STEPHEN E. COMSTOCK, *secretary*

Niagara Falls, Monday club. Organized 1894. Membership 15 women. 27 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: The Netherlands. ANNA A. THOMPSON, *secretary*

North Tonawanda, Forum club. Organized 1897. Membership 12 men. 18 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subjects: Municipal, national and sociologic questions. Each sixth meeting is a general debate. MASON M. SMITH, *secretary*

Ogdensburg, Martha Palmer university extension club. Organized 1894. Membership 25 women. 29 weekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Italy. HARRIET FRANK, *secretary*

Ogdensburg, University extension club, Alpha branch. Organized 1895. Membership 25 women. 20 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Travel in the Americas. STELLA L. BEST, *secretary*

Olean, Daughters of the revolution, Olean chapter. Organized 1897. Membership 53. 11 monthly meetings beginning Oct. Subject: Colonial and American history. BERTHA E. RUSSELL, *secretary*

Olean, Fortnightly club. Organized 1897. Membership 16 women. 14 biweekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Greece. The club was organized for the study of art but most of the past year was spent on Greek history and mythology. MRS F. H. OAKLEAF, *secretary*

Olean, Travelers club. Organized 1887. Membership 30 women. 17 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: France. MARY E. HORNER, *corresponding secretary*

Oxford, Round Robin reading club. Organized 1895. Membership 15 women. 12 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: Thackeray, George Eliot, Tennyson, Carlyle and Ruskin. ADELAIDE W. BULL, *secretary*

Penfield, Study club. Organized 1898. Membership 13 women. 12 biweekly meetings Jan. to June. Subject: American literature. FLORENCE HUNT, *secretary*

Penn Yan, Fin de siècle club. Organized 1896. Membership 17 women. 16 biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: Painting based on Radcliffe's *Schools and masters of painting*. The exercises are conducted as a class, the leader asking questions of the different members in succession. The works of the artists are studied from prints and Perry pictures. EMMA H. G. HOLDSWORTH, *secretary*

Penn Yan, History class. Organized 1876. Membership 12 women. 26 weekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: English history and literature from 1713 to 1748, using as textbooks Morris's *Early Hanoverians* and Gosse's *History of English literature in the 18th century*. The regular exercises consist of a recitation of from 60 to 90 minutes based on the lesson in the textbook and other collateral works, followed by illustrative reading and half hour discussions. MRS H. K. ARMSTRONG, *secretary*

Perry, Reading club. Organized 1898. Membership 21 men and women. 15 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: Shakspeare and Germany. W. H. ADAMS, *secretary*

Pike, Emersonian reading club. Organized 1879. Membership 27 women. 19 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Southern authors. MRS C. C. LATHROP, *secretary*

Plattsburg, Clio club. Organized 1898. Membership 15 women. 14 biweekly meetings from Oct. to Ap. Subject: American history from the revolution to the civil war. MINNIE J. REND, *secretary*

Plattsburg, Ladies literary club. Organized 1895. Membership 26 women. 12 biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Italy, its art, literature and five largest cities. ELLEN A. HEWITT, *secretary*

Plattsburg, Tuesday club. Organized 1897. Membership 20 women. 18 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Spain. VENA S. GILLILAND, *secretary*

Port Jefferson, Woman's literary club. Organized 1892. Membership 15 women. 17 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Germany. SARAH I. SKINNER, *secretary*

Portville, Caledonian club. Organized 1894. Membership 10 women. Biweekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: French history and literature from the revolution to the third republic. MRS E. A. H. BARNES, *secretary*

Potsdam, Fortnightly club. Organized 1889. Membership 50 men and women. 18 biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: American history. Seven parlor lectures were given on the subjects Aztecs, Colonial literature, Oliver Cromwell, Jesuit missions, Hawthorne's colonial tales, Sir William Phipps and Colonial architecture. MRS MARY B. STOWELL, *secretary*

Poughkeepsie, Santa Maria reading circle. Organized 1896. Membership 17 women. 17 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subjects: *Julius Caesar, Merchant of Venice, Henry 8, Richard 3, As you like it and King Lear.* Discussions are in charge of two members who prepare arguments on both sides of the question. After these have been given the discussion becomes general. HARRIETTE R. HORSEFALL, *secretary*

Rensselaer county farmers club. Organized 1889. Membership 130 men and women. Monthly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: Agriculture. OSCAR J. LEWIS, *secretary*

Ripley, Literary club. Organized 1892. Membership 36 women. Weekly meetings Nov. to May. Subject: France. M. E. COLLINS, *secretary*

Rochester, Catholic reading circle. Organized 1889. Membership 50 women. 14 biweekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Spanish history. 10 meetings, two lectures and one illustrated talk were devoted to this subject. EMILY L. KENON, *secretary*

Rochester, College woman's club. Organized 1897. Membership 98 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Holland. Lectures are given by nonmembers qualified to speak on the subject studied. MRS W. A. LOCKWOOD, *secretary*

Rochester, Composition club. Organized 1897. Membership 7 women. 32 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subjects: Fundamental principles in composition. Special topics: Decorative and pictorial treatment of a subject, proportion, balance, rhythm, opposition, repetition, transition, subordination and radiation. The study is illustrated by photographs or drawings. ANNA P. SCOTT, *secretary*

Rochester, Greek art course. Organized 1898. Membership 12 women. Semiweekly meetings. Subject: Greek art. MRS W. R. TAYLOR, *secretary*

Rochester, Unity club. Organized 1889. Membership 126 men and women. The club is divided into three sections, Browning class, Novel class and Social topics class. The Browning and Social topics classes meet biweekly and the Novel class monthly Oct. to May. The subjects of study are indicated by the names of the sections. IRENE ROTHCHILD, *secretary of Browning class*

Rome, Wednesday morning club. Organized 1892. Membership 100 women. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: *Midsummer night's dream*, *Richard 3*, *As you like it* and *Hamlet*. A lecture or reading from Shakspeare was given once a month. EUGENIE STEVENS, *acting secretary*

Salamanca, Salmagundi society. Organized 1890. Membership 30 men and women, 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: Ancient Greece. LUCIA E. WEBER, *secretary*

Salamanca, Twentieth century club. Organized 1898. Membership 20 women. 26 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: History. MRS FRANK GRANT, *secretary*

Saratoga Springs, Travelers at home club. Organized 1892. Membership 20 women. 23 weekly meetings Oct to Ap. Subject: Travel. ELIZABETH P. SHACKELFORD, *secretary*

Saugerties, Household economic association. Organized 1898. Membership 11 men and women. Subject: Household economics. ANNE F. COLE, *secretary*

Schuylerville, Saturday club. Organized 1894. Membership 26 women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: English history and literature. MARY E. C. GOW, *secretary*

Seneca Falls, Fortnightly club. Organized 1887. Membership 22 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: France in the 17th century. LOUISE E. LATHROP, *secretary*

Seneca Falls historical society. Organized 1896. Membership 65 men and women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: Administrations of Washington, Adams, Jefferson and Madison. HERMON A. CARMER, *secretary*

Sherman, East Side study club. Organized 1890. Membership eight women. 20 weekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: America. MRS J. G. BLY, *secretary*

Sherman, Minerva club. Organized 1896. Membership 45 women. 20 biweekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: American travel. MRS J. H. THAYER, *secretary*

Sing Sing, Friday evening Shakspeare club. Organized 1899. Membership 18 men and women. Weekly meetings. Subject: Shakspeare. EDGARDA WILLIAMS, *secretary*

Springville, Monday club. Organized 1888. Membership 20 women. 35 weekly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: Art. ISADORA M. NORRIS, *secretary*

Stillwater, Fortnightly club. Organized 1897. Membership 36 women. 15 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: American history and literature. MRS A. S. PACK, *secretary*

Syracuse, Ladies historical club. Organized 1894. Membership 20. 26 weekly meetings from Oct. to Ap. Subject: France. MRS W. B. HALL, *secretary*

Syracuse, Onaway club. Organized 1895. Membership 25 women. 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: American literature. Four lectures were given before the club by Rev. J. B. Kenyon. MRS W. W. TABER, *secretary*

Syracuse, Wednesday club. Organized 1886. Membership 35 women. 18 biweekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: Russia. MRS J. F. COCKINGS, *secretary*

Tonawanda, New century league. Organized 1898. Membership 18 women. 16 biweekly meetings Sep. to May. Subject: Ethics. LIZZIE VAN LONE, *secretary*

Tonawanda, Upsilon Tau Delta club. Organized 1898. Membership 14 women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. MAUD M. LITTLE, *secretary*

Troy, East Side study class. Organized 1889. Membership 12 women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to June. Subject: Spain and medieval Rome. CHARLOTTE E. HARRISON, *secretary*

Troy, Literary association. Organized 1899. Membership 70 men and women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Authors and their works. MRS MARGARET GREAVES, *secretary*

Union Springs, Leisure hour club. Membership 22 women. Bi-weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subject: The social spirit in America. Four lectures were given during the year. Mrs G. W. HONIE, *secretary*

Utica, Park Chautauqua circle. Organized 1894. Membership 38 men and women. 33 weekly meetings Oct. to June. Subjects: English history, English literature and Shakspeare. CLARA A. RODELL, *secretary*

Waterford, Study club. Organized 1897. Membership 22 women. 35 weekly meetings. Subject: George Eliot and *Romola*. The work is assigned by the leader, Mrs Davidson. Several illustrated lectures are generally added to the regular course of study. ANNA R. MOONEY, *secretary*

Watertown, Daughters of the revolution, Le Ray de Chaumont chapter. Organized 1895. Membership 65. 10 monthly meetings Sep. to June. Subject: History. BERTHA E. WOOD, *secretary*

Watertown, Wednesday literary club. Organized 1894. Membership 27 women. 14 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. H. I. TREADWELL, *secretary*

Watertown, Wednesday morning art club. Organized 1893. Membership 21 women. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Art. Charles S. Farrar's *Art topics* is used by the club. Special topics: The Venetian school, the great colorists, modern realists, the eclectic and naturalistic schools of Italy, and painting in Flanders. The work has been supplemented by loans of photographs. MRS A. H. SAWYER, *president*

Waterville, Every Saturday night club. Organized 1886. Membership 18 women. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Ancient Semitic history and civilization. For program see p. 716. PAULINE M. BIGELOW, *secretary*

Waterville, Home study circle. Organized 1895. Membership 16 women. 28 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: American history and literature. MRS A. C. CLARKE, *secretary*

Waterville, Travellers club. Organized 1893. Membership 20 women. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: United States. For program see p. 6. CLARA A. JONES, *secretary*

Watervliet, Friday study club. Organized 1899. Membership 15 women. 10 weekly meetings. Subject: Italy. MARY G. VAN O'LANDA, *secretary*

Watkins, Woman's club. Organized 1897. Membership 35. 25 weekly meetings Oct. to Mar. Subject: English history. LORETTA C. GILLET, *secretary*

Waverly, Tourists club. Organized 1898. Membership 30 women. 16 biweekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: History of France. DORELLA E. SNOOK, *secretary*

West New Brighton, Deems literary club. Organized 1899. Membership 47 men and women. 10 monthly meetings Sep. to June. Subjects: Literature and psychology and the child. A. T. DOREMUS, *secretary*

Westfield, Monday club. Membership 46 women. 30 weekly meetings Oct. to May. Subject: Italy. ALICE C. KENT, *secretary*

Wolcott, American literature club. Organized 1897. Membership 27 men and women. 18 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap. Subjects: Holmes, Longfellow, Whittier, Lowell and Bryant. K. E. BRADSHAW, *secretary*

Worcester, Fortnightly club. 28 weekly meetings Oct. to Ap.
Subject: European cities.

Yonkers, Tuesday club. Organized 1899. Membership 16 women. Weekly meetings Nov. to Ap. Subject: Architecture. The president's weekly lecture is illustrated by plates and Perry pictures which the members mount in note books. KATHARINE L. HERMAN, *secretary*

UNREGISTERED ORGANIZATIONS

Maine federation of women's club. The educational committee outlines its policy for the year, as follows:

We desire to cooperate with the state superintendent of schools in furthering the principles laid down in his pamphlet entitled *School improvement league of Maine*, whose mission is: a) better physical surroundings; b) best books for all; c) art in the schoolroom. We desire for this year to lay special stress on placing casts in the schools; and we advise that a careful study of the catalogue of P. P. Caproni & Co., Boston, be made to that end. We wish to encourage the training of the powers of observation in children through nature study; the establishment and maintenance of kindergarten and manual training schools; the formation of mothers clubs. The committee desires that clubs shall be informed in regard to the purpose of the traveling library, and lend their influence to secure state legislation on its behalf. Attention should be called to the need in many secondary schools of more exact methods of study, more scientific training in English, and in articulation, enunciation, and the modulation of the voice. That our Maine students do not speak clearly nor sustain their tones, is a criticism often made by those who examine their work. Those who take part in the public meetings of women's clubs should instruct by example in the manner of speaking. There is great need of inspiring students in secondary schools with a high ideal of morals and manners. We desire to arouse an interest and a pride in our own colleges of Maine, to cooperate with them for the higher education of our young men and women, to encourage them where they are strong, to detect and to remedy any weakness; in short, to make them such that our own sons and daughters need not be sent to other states for their college course. It is most desirable that club members visit schools and take every legitimate means to inform themselves in regard to the educational system of Maine from the

kindergarten to the university, and to compare it with the systems of other states. To this end, we advise the appointment of an educational committee in each club in Maine, and the setting apart of a portion of time to educational programs at club meetings.

Traveling libraries. The movement to secure state traveling libraries originated with the Dial club of Fairfield, and at the midwinter meeting of the directors in Augusta in 1896 it was voted that the Maine federation of women's clubs indorse the work. The library committee of the legislature reported a bill with an appropriation of \$1500, but it failed of passage.¹ Two traveling libraries are now owned by the Maine federation, the gift of the George Eliot club of Portland.

Georgia federation of women's clubs. At the annual meeting in November the first session was administrative in character and of the remaining four, two were devoted to miscellaneous topics and the other two were confined to special subjects. The first, on the educational outlook in Georgia, had the following program:

- 1 Report of education committee
- 2 Five phases of the problem
 - a Kindergarten
 - b The country school: pupil, patron and teacher
 - c City school systems
 - d The university
 - e Our private schools

The second special meeting was on libraries and the topics discussed were:

- 1 Report of library committee
- 2 Relation of the library to the educational work of Georgia
- 3 Traveling libraries; a new aid in education

New York state federation of women's clubs. The fifth annual convention of the New York state federation of women's clubs was held in Rochester, Nov. 7-10, 1899. The questions for discussion were:

¹ A traveling library bill was passed the following year largely through the efforts of the Maine federation.

Legal education for women; Is law an expression of ultimate right?

- 1 How far can legislative enactment remedy existing wrongs?
- 2 How can educated public opinion influence legislation?
- 3 Does the law command what is right and prohibit what is wrong?
- 4 Are lawyers responsible for the imperfections of law?

Woman in business; The business woman from her own standpoint.

- 1 Trials and temptations of the business woman.
- 2 The business woman from a business standpoint.
- 3 The business woman from a social standpoint.
- 4 Benefit of organizations among business women.
- 5 The business woman as mother and homemaker.

Literature; The combination of race elements in American literature.

- 1 Effect of the romantic German lyric.
- 2 Influence of French translations.
- 3 German thought.
- 4 The Japanese tale.
- 5 Folklore of the south.
- 6 The American historical novel.
- 7 Sidney Lanier as a representative American poet.

Patriotic, historical and genealogic societies.

- 1 Women's patriotic societies in America.
- 2 Our naval wars.
- 3 Genealogic societies and their work.
- 4 The patriotic inheritance we leave our children.

Educational and industrial unions.

- 1 Philanthropic phases.
- 2 Educational phases.
- 3 Social phases.

Music.

- 1 Is the "new romanticism" to be the music of the future, and is Russia the coming musical nation?
- 2 What does the Wagner renaissance imply? The debt America owes to Anton Seidl.
- 3 The art of vocal music less understood by the so-called musical public. What can be done to cultivate a standard?
- 4 Progress of music at the close of the 19th century; American composers.

Art.

What encouragement have American art and artists received during the past year? Will our art be national or international?

Hospitals and trained nurses.

1 What has been the effect of the ability to perform surgical operations without loss of blood in hastening the recovery of patients? 2 How has the death rate resulting from surgical operations been affected by antiseptic treatment? 3 What practical result of having women on boards of management? 4 Is there a profitable field awaiting trained nurses willing to work for prices lower than those now prevailing? 5 Is it advisable for congress when it reorganizes the army to create a regular department of female trained nurses?

Child study.

1 By a mothers club. 2 As applied in pedagogy. 3 As pursued by a normal alumnae association. 4 As an aid to intelligent philanthropy. 5 An experiment in practical philanthropy.

Household science.

1 What is household science and its application to the needs of the people? 2 What our public schools are doing for this science. 3 Advantage of a knowledge of household science for the average woman. 4 To what extent is our tenement population benefiting by a discussion on the subject? 5 Results accomplished by philanthropic and educational organizations. 6 Place of household science in the curriculum of women's colleges.

Political study.

1 Development of democratic ideals in government. 2 Needed legislation for the women of the state. 3 Awakening of the civic conscience through political study. 4 Responsibilities of women as citizens. 5 Political study for mothers and teachers.

Ethical culture, progress of ethical ideals; "Everything good in man leans on what is higher."

1 Ethics of home life. 2 Social life. 3 Civic life.

The press.

1 Comparative standards of foreign and American journalism. 2 Impressions given by the press of the proceedings of women's clubs. 3 What constitutes a first-class news report? 4 The qualifications of a first-class reporter.

Philanthropy.

1 Philanthropic work among women by women. 2 Educational and industrial unions. 3 The woman's exchange. 4 Philanthropic side of the woman's club. 5 Philanthropic possibilities of working girls clubs.

Esthetics in civics.

1 How may beauty be introduced into the daily life of the people? 2 What have public parks, playgrounds, botanical gardens, museums and outdoor sports done for the physical and social elevation of the population of our crowded cities?

Western New York federation of literary and educational organizations. The reciprocity bureau of this federation publishes the following outline of work:

1 Each club shall send to the chairman of reciprocity bureau, programs, calendars, year book, order of exercises at special meetings, and all tabulated statements of club work. The club shall report all special efforts along lines philanthropic, civic, economic or otherwise, outside of regular club work.

2 *a*) The corresponding secretary of the federation shall furnish each club in the federation with a list of all the federated clubs.

b) Each federated club having a printed or written program shall furnish a copy of the same to all other clubs on the list.

c) Any club desiring a paper or discussion on a given topic from another federated club can apply to the president or secretary of said club.

d) Any club inviting an essayist or speaker to appear before it shall provide for the expenses of such essayist or speaker, unless otherwise provided for.

3 *a*) The secretary of each club shall be instructed to send to the chairman of the reciprocity bureau a semiannual report of best paper or talk, or such as may have received marked favor-

able mention by the home club, given by any of its members before the club during the preceding half year; and shall give name of person, subject of paper or discussion, and forward manuscript where possible.

Each club shall decide what constitutes the excellence of such paper or talk, namely: literary merit; power of thought; effect on audience; or adaptation to club studies.

b) The secretary of the local club shall make report semi-annually to chairman of reciprocity bureau, of speakers and papers from other clubs, with names and subjects, that have been presented before the club during the preceding half year, with such other facts as may be of general interest pertaining thereto.

4 It shall be the duty of the chairman of the reciprocity bureau to make semiannual reports to local federated clubs of the work done by said clubs during the preceding half year; such reports to be compiled from the foregoing required reports of the local secretaries.

5 a) The semiannual reports of the local clubs shall be forwarded to the chairman of the reciprocity bureau on or before the following dates, namely: January 10, May 10 of each year.

b) The chairman shall forward reports to the local secretaries within two weeks after the above named dates. Reports not received on or before required dates may be omitted by chairman in the summary of semiannual club reports.

6 a) The secretary of each club shall make request of the chairman of reciprocity bureau for such helps or suggestions, or for such papers or speakers from other clubs in the federation as the work of the local club may need or find to be desirable.

b) It shall be the duty of the chairman to comply with such requests so far as possible; to direct clubs to sources of information, and to suggest desirable visiting club members and speakers.

7 It shall be the duty of chairman of the reciprocity bureau to present at the annual meeting of the federation a report of the work of the year compiled from the foregoing required reports of the local secretaries and the semiannual reports of the chairman to the local clubs.

8 The federated clubs shall at each meeting give five minutes to the discussion of the same topic throughout the federation; the required topic shall be some question of social, economic or civic conditions; the list of topics and time assigned to each shall be under the supervision of the executive council.

9 a) The chairman of the reciprocity bureau shall appoint an assistant in each council within the limits of the federation, who shall be known as the county chairman of correspondence of said county.

b) It shall be the duty of such chairman to encourage and assist in the organization of local clubs where none exist; to inform and to interest so far as possible both federated and non-federated clubs in her county in the reciprocity work of this federation, and thereby stimulate and create interest in practical club work and in the advantages of federated club organization.

c) Said chairman shall make quarterly reports to chairman of reciprocity bureau.

10 It shall be the aim of this bureau to establish a fund which may be known as the visiting fund, whereby visiting members may be sent to smaller clubs without expense to either club or speaker.

11 To facilitate the immediate work of this bureau the secretaries of the local clubs shall be instructed to send such reports as may be practicable concerning the work of this present year, with mention of valuable papers of last year's work, giving names of writers and subjects to the chairman of this bureau on or before the tenth day of November next. Programs and other tabulated statements to be forwarded immediately.

In a farther report of the reciprocity bureau, adopted by the federation in June 1898, the following organization of its departments for study of special subjects is announced:

1 *Successive departments.* Organize departments successively. Bring subject of each department before the clubs of the federation, and put the department in working order before proceeding to organize another department.

2 *Methods.* a) Subject of department is brought before the clubs through the semiannual federation topics sent out by reciprocity bureau.

b) Committee selects for such topics, questions and topics which involve fundamental principles or latest theories of subject of the department to be organized. Time assigned for discussion of topics one half club year.

3 *Single subject meeting.* Single subject meeting of federation immediately following time assigned for such discussion shall be limited to subject of given federation topics. The discussions of this single subject meeting shall be presided over by the head of said department.

4 *Full organization.* The department is then fully inaugurated and the head of department named will assume direction of department and perfect organization as she may see fit, subject to the supervision of chairman of reciprocity bureau. Such department is an integral part of, and auxiliary to the work of the reciprocity bureau.

5 *Delay in organization.* The above methods will necessarily prolong the work of a full organization of the several departments; but the committee are assured that there will be a compensating gain in the permanency and practical efficiency of the departmental work of the federation.

On request of the 19th century club of Hamburg and in anticipation of special legislation, the subject for five minute discussion in all federated clubs during the past year was Free and traveling libraries. The topics were:

- 1 Some great libraries of the world
- 2 History of establishment of public libraries in America
- 3 Library work
 - Helps to readers
 - Use and abuse of aids to readers
- 4 Library groups: Origin; methods; use
 - a* Circulating or reference. Large; small; club; college; technical; scientific
 - b* Traveling libraries
- 5 Libraries in small towns
 - Importance; character; maintenance; educational value
- 6 Library legislation. History of national and New York state libraries
 - Basis of distribution of state moneys among libraries
- 7 The club and library
 - Relation of library to club and through club to the home

In accordance with the plan outlined, these topics were discussed during several months by each club in the federation, and in January a meeting was held in Hamburg at which they formed the basis of the program. As every attendant had had the subject under consideration for several months, the meeting was particularly interesting and suggestive.

Allegany co. federation of women's literary clubs. The fifth annual meeting was held at Wellsville Oct. 20, 1899. A discussion on helps and hindrances in club life was of much practical value to members.

SOCIAL SETTLEMENT CLUBS

Buffalo, Trinity house, 258 Elk st. Conducts kindergarten, sewing school, library and various classes in manual training and domestic science.

Buffalo, Westminster house. The settlement maintained by Westminster church at 424 Adams st. is in four cottages. It conducts a social science club for men; housekeepers club and mothers meetings for women; working girls club, cooking class, dressmaking class, physical culture class and reading circle for young women; manual training club for boys and sewing school for girls. There are also boys brigades, penny provident society and girls kitchengarden.

New York, East side house. Founded in 1891 at foot of East 76 st. New York. The buildings are an old time country residence and a three story brick building built in 1894, containing Webster free circulating library of 7858 volumes, reading room, kindergarten and lecture hall. The open ground of half an acre comprises a small park, running track, summer house, swings and bath houses. The clubs grouped as educational are 1) Mens school extension class, the members of which are principally working men anxious to continue their education while busy at their trades; 2) Fellow-citizenship association, an organization for study of social problems and promotion of purity in politics; 3) Young women's art class, under direction of Mr George S. Kellogg of Teachers college art department. The class is not for technical instruction, but to cultivate the perceptions by study of the history and interpretation of art; 4) Women's literary class, meeting fortnightly; class in voice culture, meeting weekly with a teacher; 5) Mothers Bible class, for study of Bible history. In addition there are various clubs for social enjoyment.

Friendly aid house. The Friendly aid society took rented rooms on E. 33 st. in 1892, and began work for the social welfare of the locality by establishing a kindergarten and a mothers meeting. From this beginning grew clubs and classes for both sexes and all ages. Two years later the location was transferred to

248 E. 34 st. which has been enlarged and improved as needs of the settlement increase. In addition to social clubs there is a Civic club for discussion of social problems; a Woman's club, meeting weekly with miscellaneous programs; Goodwill club and Holly club, both composed of young girls, meeting weekly for discussion of miscellaneous topics, and several boys clubs for informal investigation of topics of interest.

Union settlement. The following summary is reprinted from an official pamphlet:

The district. The district about the settlement lies between 96 and 110 streets, east of Lexington av., 50 blocks, containing nearly 100,000 people, largely English speaking, living for the most part in crowded tenement houses. There are four saloons to every block, no public library except that of the settlement, and no places of wholesome amusement. Public schools are good, but too few in number. There are three churches just outside the district, but in the district itself there is not a church building; the two "people's tabernacles" located in storerooms, and the settlement hall, are the only available places of worship.

Centers of work. The settlement residence, 237 E. 104 st.; the workingmen's club house, 241 E. 104 st.; the hall for religious services and the kindergarten rooms and gymnasium, 248 E. 104 st.; the athletic club house and gymnasium, 235½ E. 100 st.; the playground and athletic field, 101 st. between 2d and 3d avenues.

Kindergarten. 54 children enrolled; average attendance, 46; 50 families represented.

Mothers meetings. Kindergartners in charge, assisted by the committee of the women's auxiliary. Music, talks to the mothers, kindergarten work explained; light refreshments. Attendance, 35.

Little mothers. Girls 8 to 12 years of age. Attendance, 25. Kitchengarden work.

Library. Open for adults Monday evenings, and for children, Tuesday and Friday afternoons, 3 to 5, at 237 E. 104 st. Number of volumes, 1228; circulation six months 1265. Library has been put in excellent condition by the committee.

Union club. Young men 18 to 20 years old; meeting for social and literary programs.

Young ladies union club. 20 girls 16 to 18 years old; meeting for social, literary and industrial work.

Acorn club. 12 young ladies 18 to 20 years old; meeting for social, literary and industrial work.

Physical culture classes. One class, of 16 members of the Acorn club and their friends, meeting Tuesday evening in the gymnasium; a second class of 22 girls, from 12 to 14 years old, meeting Tuesday afternoon at 4.

Cooking class. 12 mothers, Miss Dennis of the New York cooking school in charge; meeting Tuesday afternoons at 3 o'clock at 241 E. 104 st. for lessons in plain cooking, and study of foods.

Manhattan union. Young men 18 to 30; number of members 30; lectures and social meetings.

Workingmen's club. 50 men; the headworker, president. Club house open every evening, with rooms for games, reading, lectures, etc. Business meetings the first and third Mondays; entertainments every Friday evening.

Chicago university settlement. The annual report describes the club work as follows:

Unity club. Early in 1894 a group of young ladies formed themselves into a literary and social organization known as the Banyan club. A little later 30 young men established a Civic club, the purpose of which was to study questions relating to good citizenship. Last October the two clubs joined forces taking the name Unity club. Its various sections have specific interests, literary, dramatic, economic or social. By occasional open meetings, informal social gatherings, and unfailing kindness and sympathetic cooperation this large club of young men and women has done much to carry forward the settlement idea of true neighborliness.

Agassiz club. This club meets Friday evenings in the Lookout rooms, where the boys have a cabinet filled with botanic and geologic specimens. In the summer it makes observation trips to the country or to city parks or museums. The expedition is usually under care of some one from the university who can teach the boys how to take notes on new things they see. Meetings at which observations thus made are reported, are often of great interest.

Ivy leaf club. Composed of 25 young girls who meet once a week for games, singing, and physical culture. The Agassiz club and the Ivy leaf club often unite on the evenings devoted to social purposes.

Excelsior club. Made up of boys who divide their time about equally between athletics and debates. The first newspaper of the settlement, the *Bulletin*, is conducted by the Excelsior club.

Young citizens, Columbian guards, Kingsley and Young Americans are clubs of boys whose purpose is in the main the development of ideas of good citizenship with special practical reference to the neighborhood of the settlement. They make a point of conducting their meetings in orderly fashion, and feel incumbent on them a loyal guardianship of the good name and honor of the settlement.

Culture club. Made up of girls from a large department store. Long hours and few holidays make it difficult for these girls to find either time or strength for outside work of any sort. The meetings are largely social in character, but the name chosen by the club indicates the ambition that started it, and this thought is not lost sight of in the various talks and readings given.

Monday evening club. Composed of young men and women who have weekly meetings for study of poetry. Longfellow has been chosen for this winter.

Melody club. Composed of children (boys and girls) who are studying music. The aim is to give them ideals of music as a larger, truer thing than a mere amusement or accomplishment. They meet Wednesday from 5 to 6 in the hall.

Children's hour. Made up of girls from 9 to 13. They meet afternoons for stories and talks. Characters from Dickens and tales of Greek heroes have been the subjects this winter.

Woman's club. Organized last January. In the full and prompt response which it met there was manifest the strong though hidden longing for friendliness and neighborly greeting. Eight nationalities are represented. At weekly meetings reports are given of the various sorts of work done by women. These are often followed by stirring discussion of needs of the settlement district, and the best methods of practical work.

The latest club to be formed is one for men. This club is but a month old. Its purpose is the free discussion of living issues. The interest is keen and well sustained.

A *congress of clubs*, meeting the last Wednesday of each month has revealed the leavening, unifying influence of club life. Thought has been quickened; lives have been broadened by contact one with another. The club is, in fact, "just a settlement" in miniature. It is a company of people united by common interests and seeking to advance not merely their own welfare but that of the community at large.

Northwestern university settlement. This settlement was established in Chicago in 1892. It maintains a library, open two afternoons a week; a kindergarten; a day nursery; a penny provident bank; a school of domestic science, giving instruction in sewing, dressmaking, kitchen gardening, cooking and sanitary science. Lectures are given on hygiene, and sanitary science. The Home culture club for young women, Columbian women's club and the Men's club meet weekly for discussion of literary topics.

PUBLICATIONS

Syllabuses. During the year two syllabuses published by the home education department were added to the 77 previously reported, all of which are planned for 10 weeks study. A complete list with prices may be had on application. The two new syllabuses are:

S78 Curtis, Mrs J. K. Romeo and Juliet. 32p. Jan. 1899.
Price 5 cents.

S79 — Coriolanus. 36p. Oct. 1899. *Price 5 cents.*

Bibliographies. Within the year two bibliographies in the state library series of bibliography bulletins have been added to those already reported. (*See* Home education bulletin 29, p. 143-44 or Handbook 6)

Bibliography 19. College libraries in the United States. 52p. Dec. 1899. *Price 10 cents.*

— 20. House decoration and furnishing. 20p. Dec. 1899.
Price 5 cents.

OUTLINES OF STUDY

From the large number of programs filed during the past year we reprint a few as suggestive for topics not previously covered.

The chief purpose in printing these programs is to enable every club to utilize the experience and studies of other clubs. It is always considered a compliment to have one's program copied in whole or in part. The only stipulation is that those who find material in our bulletins for their programs shall send two copies as soon as printed for our files, so that we may pass on to others any new ideas which seem to promise usefulness.

Subj. no. 640

THE HOME; ITS EVOLUTION

New York household economic association

Construction of the house

- 1 Location; soil; drainage; sewerage
- 2 Architecture; lighting; heating; ventilation
- 3 Plumbing; decoration; furnishing

Hygiene; history

- 1 Air; water; ice; sunlight; heat
- 2 Cleanliness; dirt and disease; odors; mildew
- 3 Infection and disinfection; bacteriology

Physical economics

- 1 Physiology; anatomy
- 2 Digestion; sleeping; bathing
- 3 Exercise; work; fatigue; rest; nursing
- 4 Child-study, development and training

Dress; textiles

- 1 History and evolution; manufacture
- 2 Influence of dress on mind and health
- 3 Propriety of appearance; taste; durability

Foods; history

- 1 Food products of the world; foods of various nations
- 2 Chemical constituents; nutritive values
- 3 Chemistry of nutrition; relative digestibility
- 4 Purchasing; serving; relation of food waste to sanitation
- 5 Adulteration; dietaries

Cookery; history and evolution

- 1 Chemistry; hygienic value of boiling, baking, roasting, broiling, frying
- 2 Chafing dish; Aladdin oven
- 3 Preserving; drying

Meats

Relative values; cooking; serving

Milk foods

- 1 Milk and its products
- 2 Bacteria in cheese and butter making

Sea foods

Nutritive value of fish and shell-fish

Vegetables

- 1 Cereals; legumes; tubers; fungi
- 2 Vegetarianism; salads

Fruits and nuts

Nutritive value and digestibility; medicinal value

Bread

- 1 History; chemistry of bread making
- 2 Rationale of whole wheat; Graham
- 3 Macaroni and pastes

Sugars

- 1 Heat and working force
- 2 Food value of starches and fats

Beverages

- 1 Tea; coffee; cocoa
- 2 Manufacture; adulterations

Herbs and spices

Oriental, ancient and modern use

Housekeeping

- 1 Evolution; primitive methods; modern living and the demands of 19th century civilization
- 2 Foreign housekeeping; American possibilities

Domestic service

- 1 Trained and untrained help
- 2 American problems
- 3 What has been done toward a solution; university and schoolwork; domestic service in public institutions
- 4 Business methods; wages; dress

Subj. no. 726.6

ITALIAN CATHEDRALS

Monday art club, Middletown N. Y.

1898-99

Assisi

Church of St Frances
Early fresco painting
Cimabue and Giotto

Pisa

History and architecture
Leaning tower
Baptistery; Nicolo Pisano
Campo Santo

Siena and Orvieto

Siena cathedral
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Florence, Santa Croce

History; Taddeo Gaddi
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Florence, Santa Maria del fiore

History and architecture

Arnolfo; Brunelleschi

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Campanile

Baptistery; Ghiberti

Florence, San Marco

The monastery

Savonarola

Fra Angelico

The Piagnoni painters: Fra Bartolommeo, Botticelli, and Lorenzo di Credi

Florence, Church of the Carmine

Masaccio; Filippino Lippi

History and architecture of Prato cathedral

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History

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Church of Rome

Sistine chapel

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History and architecture of cathedral of Venice

Venetian mosaics

Patron saints of Venice: St Mark and St Theodore

Venetian painters

The Bellini

Titian

Paul Veronese

Milan

History and architecture

Leonardo da Vinci

Subj. no. 935

ANCIENT SEMITIC HISTORY AND CIVILIZATION

Every Saturday night club, Waterville N. Y.

1898-99

Out of monuments, names, wordes, proverbs, traditions, private recordes and evidences, fragments of stories, passages of bookes, and the like we doe save and recover somewhat from the deluge of time. *Bacon*

CHALDEA

1 Valleys of the Tigris and Euphrates

Early inhabitants and their language

- 2 Chaldean history and civilization to the Elamite conquest
- 3 Elamite dynasty
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- 13 Babylon
- 14 Religion, arts, and culture of Assyria and Babylon
- 15 Phenicia
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- 18 Patriarchal age. The judges. Social and domestic life of the period
- 19 King Saul. David, poet and king. Browning's *Saul*
- 20 King Solomon
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- 21 Kings of Israel and Judah
Babylonian captivity and restoration
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Travelers club, Waterville N. Y.

1898-99

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Across the continent to San Francisco. Phillips Brooks's *Letters of travel*
- 2 Chicago; historical sketch
Its parks and buildings
Eugene Field
"The western art movement." *Century*, Aug. 1886

- 3 Twin cities of the West: St Paul and Minneapolis
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Great libraries of the United States
- 4 Grand canon of the Colorado (Arizona)
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- 5 A trip into New Mexico; life, homes and industries
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Ancient silver mines of Zacatecas
- 6 Colorado
Its incomparable climate
Its scenic beauty; canons; Pike's peak; Garden of the gods
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